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FOR DAVID SHEAR (AID/AFR/SFWA) FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A (DECONTROL 30 APRIL 1979)
TAGS: EAID, PFOR, UN MR
SUBJECT: MAURITANIAN FOOD REQUIREMENTS, OSRO TEAM AND USG
PARTICIPATION

REF: NOUAKCHOTT 5343

1. AFTER OUR CAREFUL EXPOSITION OF MISSIONS STRATEGY FOR ORGA-
NIZING DETERMINATION OF MAURITANIA'S REAL FOOD REQUIREMENTS (I.E.
THAT INTERNATIONAL EXPERT BODY ESTABLISH GIRM NEEDS) AND EXPRES-
SION OF OUR DESIRE/CONCERN THAT US REMAIN VERY MUCH IN BACKGROUND
IN ORDER AVOID DIRECT CONFRONTATION WITH GIRM (REFTEL), I AM DIS-
MAYED TO LEARN VIA CARBON COPY OF UNDP RESREP DIPLOMATIC NOTE TO
GIRM THAT OSRO FOOD TEAM IS BEING LED BY US REPRESENTATIVE WHO
IS USG EMPLOYEE.

2. AS MANY OTHERS HAVE OBSERVED BEFORE ME, THERE IS ALWAYS SOME
GUY WHO DOESNT GET THE WORD. BUT NO ONE IN MAURITANIA IS GOING
TO BELIEVE THAT THIS UNFORTUNATE MISSTEP IS SIMPLY A US BUREAU-
CRATIC SNAFU. INEVITABLE, MATTER-OF -FACT, AND GENERALIZED INTER-
PRETATION WILL BE THAT USG HAS MANIPULATED AN INTERNATIONAL
ORGANIZATION TO IMPOSE USG'S OWN STINGY (IN THEIR EYES,

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SENSIBLE IN OURS) ESTIMATE OF MAURITANIAN FOOD NEEDS
ON INTERNATIONAL DONOR COMMUNITY. MAURITANIANS ARE
AFTER ALL BOTH THIRD WORLDERS AND ARABS.

3. IT IS IN ALL PROBABILITY TOO LATE TO MAKE ANY
CHANGES IN STRUCTURE AND OPERATION OF OSRO TEAM AT THIS
POINT. BESIDES PART OF DAMAGE HAS ALREADY BEEN DONE.

BUT I VERY MUCH HOPE THAT YOU IN AN ATTEMPT TO PREVENT
FUTURE REPETITION OF THIS " BEST LAID PLANS..." WILL
DISCOVER WHERE AND WHY THE WORD DID NOT GET TO ALL THE
PLAYERS IN THIS PARTICULAR GAME.

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